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SUBJECT: CU/WE: VOLUNTARY VISITORS: FRIEDRICH EBERT
FOUNDATION OFFICERS

1. ALFRED NAU, PRESIDENT; DR. GUENTER GRIWALD, SECRETARY GENERAL; AND SIEGFRIED BANGERT, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT, OF SPD'S FRIEDRICH EBERT FOUNDATION WILL TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON JUNE 9-11, AND CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT WITH LABOR DEPARTMENT UNDER-SECRETARY BROWN ON JUNE 10 IS REQUESTED. TRIP OF THREE TO U.S. FOLLOWS PATTERN OF PREVIOUS YEARS WHEN THEY HAVE VISITED WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK TO MEET WITH FRIENDS AND CONTACTS TO DISCUSS WAYS TO INTENSIFY U.S.-FRG DIALOGUE ON TOPICS OF BILATERAL INTEREST. ONE OF FOUR POLITICAL PARTY FOUNDATIONS IN GERMANY, EBERT FOUNDATION REPRESENTS SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. EMBASSY CO-SPONSORS MAJOR CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS WITH EBERT AND OTHER POLITICAL PARTY FOUNDATIONS ANNUALLY.

2. EMBASSY INFORMED THAT MEETING WITH UNDER-SECRETARY BROWN HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN SCHEDULED AS A LUNCHEON ON JUNE 9, BUT SINCE NAU AND GRUNWALD DO NOT ARRIVE WASHINGTON UNTIL AFTERNOON OF 9TH, APPOINTMENT PROMISED FOR FOLLOWING DAY BUT NO TIME SET. GERALD HOLMES IN
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ILAB WHO MET EBERT FOUNDATION PEOPLE ON RECENT TRIP TO GERMANY IS FAMILIAR WITH THEIR TRAVEL PLANS AND INTERESTS AND CAN BE CONTACTED CONCERNING APPOINTMENT TIME. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT EUR/CE ALSO BE INFORMED THAT NAU, GRUNWALD AND BANGERT WILL BE IN TOWN. IF TIME PERMITS ON JUNE 10, THEY WOULD ALSO WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

3. BANGERT ARRIVES WASHINGTON IN MORNING OF JUNE 9 AND
NAU AND GRUNWALD AT 4:50 P.M. ON NA 50 FROM CALIFORNIA.
ALL HAVE RESERVATIONS AT HOTEL MADISON.
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